



# 18<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL GALA

6:00 PM THURSDAY | 29 | OCTOBER 2026

THE EDISON BALLROOM, NEW YORK, NY

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES



# Empowering Widows. Transforming Generations.

Global Fund for Widows (GFW) is the **world's largest nonprofit organization dedicated to economically empowering widows and female heads of households** through micro-banking, skills-based training, and job creation.

Founded in 2018, GFW has worked in 7 countries, building widow-owned micro-banks that restore economic power, social status, and legal protection to the world's most vulnerable women.



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 Total Reach

140,000+

Lives impacted (widows & children)



39,509

Widows reached directly



408

WISALAs formed

Capital Deployed

\$32M

In loans issued to widows



8+

Laws & policies influenced



Monthly

14x

Increase in monthly income in one year



## The Hidden Crisis

# Widowhood is a Hidden Human Rights Crisis

26M+

Widows in Extreme Poverty

90%

Live below the poverty line

49%

Are younger than 39 years old

55%

Have been disinherited



## Our WISALA Model Delivers Transformative Results

1,321%

Increase in income

99.8%

Repayment Rate

79%

Open a formal bank account

13x

Increase in savings in one year



Statistics from GFW's programs in Egypt, Kenya, Malawi and Tanzania

# This Year's Honorees

## Liev Schreiber

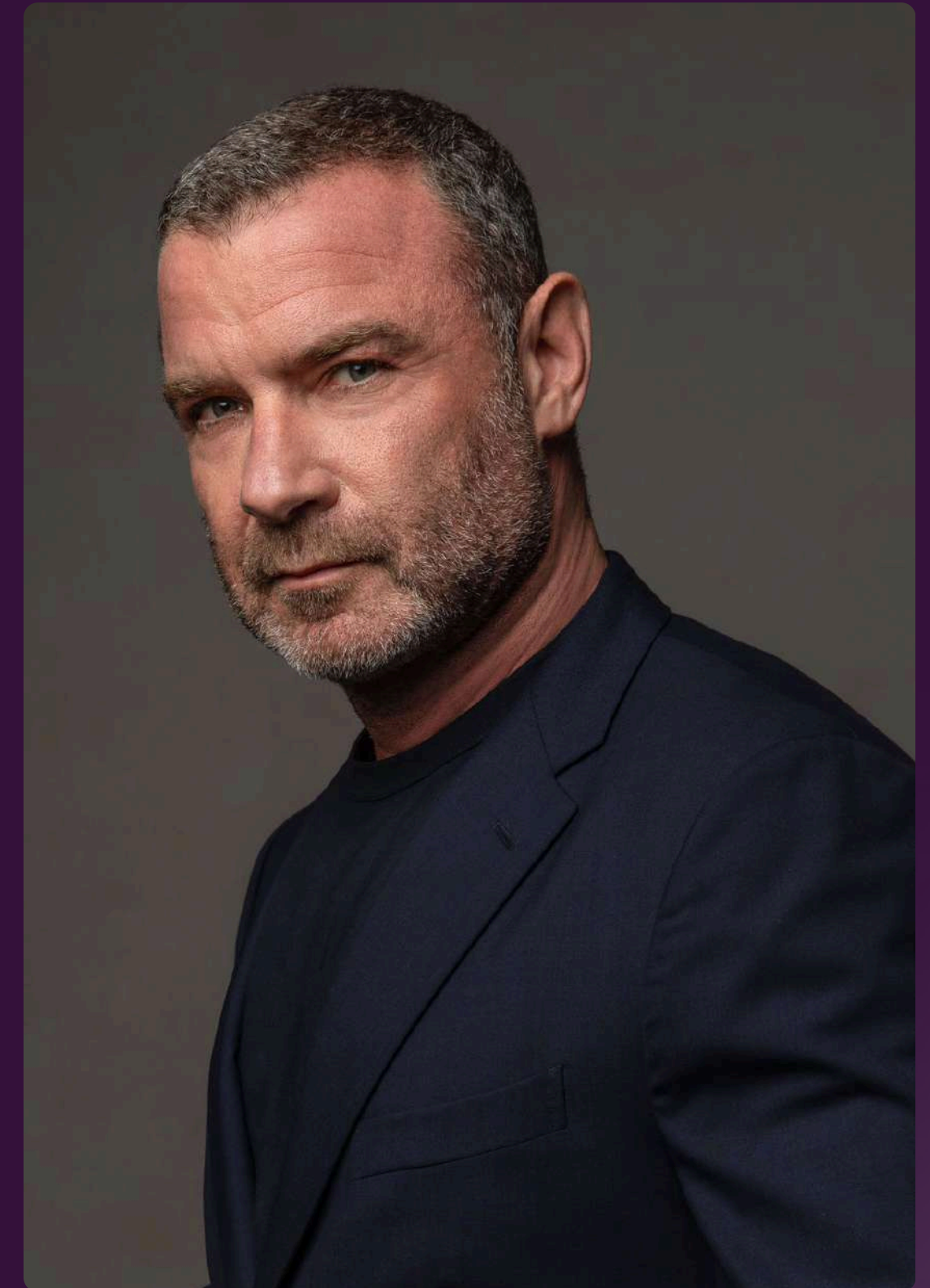
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### Humanitarian Solidarity Award

Heralded as "the finest American theater actor of his generation" by the New York Times, Liev Schreiber has built a repertoire of resonant, humanistic, and often gritty performances across film, theater, and television.

Of Ukrainian heritage, Schreiber has long supported cross-cultural ties through his work, beginning with his directorial debut *Everything is Illuminated*, which follows a young American Jewish man to western Ukraine to find the woman who saved his grandfather during the Holocaust. Following Russia's 2022 invasion, he co-founded BlueCheck Ukraine to connect Ukrainians with urgent financial support and became an ambassador for President Volodymyr Zelensky's United24 initiative. In 2024, he co-directed the feature documentary *Meeting Zelenskyy*, chronicling the president's transformation from entertainer to wartime leader.

Schreiber's humanitarian efforts have earned widespread recognition, including Governor George Pataki's Freedom Award and the Dick Cavett Artistic Champion Award from the Hamptons International Film Festival, both in 2024. In 2023, he was honored by Creative Community for Peace as an Ambassador of Peace for his advocacy for the Jewish community and received the Ellis Island Medal of Honor for his contributions to American society.



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## Praise Nyokabi

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### NextGen Impact Award

Praise Nyokabi is a dedicated gender advocate and youth leader committed to advancing the rights and dignity of women and marginalized communities. She holds a degree in Gender Studies and has further strengthened her leadership through certifications in global leadership programs, including engagement with the United Nations, and is currently as an online fellow with the WILD Fellowship (Washington, DC).

Praise Nyokabi has been volunteering in Programs and policy department in CTWOO. She has been sitting in the advocacy committee where she contributed so highly on plight of children of Widowed Person's. She ensured their interests were captured before the Widowed Persons Bill, 2026 was submitted into Parliament for next steps. Her work extends into grassroots community engagement, where she actively supports widows through field activities—organizing support groups, mentoring teenagers, and guiding orphans during school holidays. She is deeply driven by the belief that destinies are shaped through access to quality education, as emphasized in SDG 4 Access to good and quality education.

Her passion for advocacy began during her university years, where she founded Safe Generation, a support group for young people affected by domestic abuse and trauma. Inspired by the resilience of widows and guided by mentors including her mother, Dianah Kamande, and global advocates like Heather Ibrahim-Leathers, Praise continues to champion safe spaces, healing, and empowerment for vulnerable communities.








## The Sponsor Opportunity

Align your brand with a **UN-recognized global leader** advancing equity, financial inclusion, and justice.

### AUDIENCE ALIGNMENT

-  Corporate CSR and ESG leaders
-  Finance and legal partners
-  Philanthropists, foundations, & multilateral stakeholders

### BRAND VISIBILITY MOMENTS

- Pre-event:** Website, promotional emails, social media, event brochure
- Onsite:** Stage mentions, digital screens, venue signage, printed program
- Digital/Hybrid:** Full visibility on the online event platform

 Elevated perks at top tiers include speaking roles, global press release coordination, and right of first refusal for future events.

# Sponsorship Tiers Overview

Compare our partnership levels to find the right alignment for your brand and philanthropic goals.

SPONSORSHIP LEVEL	INVESTMENT	GALA ADMISSIONS
Presenting Co-Sponsor	\$115,000	20 guests
Platinum Sponsor	\$75,000	15 guests
Gold Sponsor	\$50,000	10 guests
Silver Sponsor	\$25,000	8 guests
Tailored Sponsorship	From \$15,000	Customized
Bronze Sponsor	\$10,000	6 guests
Copper Sponsor	\$5,000	4 guests
GFW Advocate (Individual)	\$500	1 ticket

# Presenting Co-Sponsor

\$115,000



## 20 Gala Admissions

Highest guest capacity available for the event.



## Sectoral Exclusivity

Limited to only 2 Presenting slots to ensure industry leadership.



## On-Stage Speaking

Exclusive opportunity to introduce a segment of the evening.



## Global Press Release

Coordinated global announcement of your premier partnership.



## Right of First Refusal

Priority branding and partnership rights for all future GFW events and convenings.

## COMPREHENSIVE BENEFITS

- ✓ HIGHLY PROMINENT RECOGNITION AS PRESENTING CO-SPONSOR ACROSS VENUE AND ONLINE PLATFORM
- ✓ SPONSOR LOGO ON GFW'S WEBSITE
- ✓ FEATURED INTERVIEW IN GFW E-NEWSLETTER AND SOCIAL CHANNELS
- ✓ PREMIER SPONSOR LOGO LISTING ON EVENT WEBSITE AND PROMOTIONAL EMAILS
- ✓ PROMINENT RECOGNITION IN EVENT BROCHURE
- ✓ LISTING IN GFW'S ANNUAL REPORT

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## Platinum Sponsor

\$75,000



15 Gala Admissions



Sectoral Exclusivity  
7 Slots Available

### COMPREHENSIVE BENEFITS

- ✓ PROMINENT RECOGNITION — VENUE, ONLINE EVENT PLATFORM, AND PROMOTIONAL MATERIALS INCLUDING EMAIL, BROCHURE & WEBSITE
- ✓ SPONSOR LOGO ON GFW WEBSITE
- ✓ RIGHT OF FIRST REFUSAL FOR ALL FUTURE GFW EVENTS & CONVENINGS
- ✓ PRIORITY LISTING IN GFW ANNUAL REPORT



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**Gold Sponsor**  
\$50,000



10 Gala  
Admissions

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# Silver through Advocate Tiers

Explore our accessible partnership levels and individual opportunities.

## Silver Sponsor

\$25,000



8 Admissions



Recognition across event materials and platforms; Annual Report listing.

## Tailored Sponsorship

From \$15,000



Customized



Custom packages for corporations/foundations. May include select CSR announcements and tailored branding.

## Bronze Sponsor

\$10,000



6 Admissions



Recognition across event materials and platforms; Annual Report listing.

## Copper Sponsor

\$5,000



4 Admissions



Recognition across event materials and platforms; Annual Report listing.

## GFW Advocate

\$500



1 Ticket



Individual listing in the Global Fund for Widows Annual Report.

# Past Honorees

Titles at time of the award



**H.E. Monica Geingos**  
Former First Lady of Namibia



**H.E. Graça Machel**  
Former First Lady of South  
Africa & Mozambique



**Dr. Aisha Muhammed-Oyebode**  
Former First Daughter  
& widow advocate



**H.E. Abdou Abarry**  
Permanent Rrepresentative,  
Mission of the Republic of Niger  
to the UN



**H.E. Hilda Suka-Mafudze**  
African Union Ambassador



**Ritu Prakash Chhabria**  
Director of Finolex Industries  
Limited



**Olalekan Akinyanmi**  
Founder and CEO, LEKOIL  
Nigeria



**Racey Muchilwa**  
Head of  
Sub-Saharan Africa for Novartis



**Kisioki Moitiko**  
Director of International  
Collaborative



**Todd Wilcox**  
CEO, Deputy Chair & CEO  
of HSBC Egypt

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## Join us on October 29th

Together, we can scale proven solutions to reach 100,000+ widows, influence policy in 10+ countries, and create a world where widows thrive with dignity, rights, and economic power.